

REMARKS

Claims 1, 3, 6, 8, 11, 12, 15, and 17 are pending in this application. Claims 1, 3, 6, 8, 11, 12, 15, and 17 stand rejected. By this Amendment, claims 1, 3, 6, 68, 11, 12, 15, and 17 have been amended and claims 2, 4, 5, 7, 9, 10, 13, 14, 16, 18 and 19 are canceled without prejudice. The amendments made to the claims do not alter the scope of these claims, nor have these amendments been made to define over the prior art. Rather, the amendments to the claims have been made to improve the form thereof. In light of the amendments and remarks set forth below, Applicant respectfully submits that each of the pending claims is in immediate condition for allowance.

Claims 1-19 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent Publication 2003/0138144 ("Lynggaard") in view of U.S. Patent Publication No. 2003/0044068 ("Kagehiro"). Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection. Among the limitations of Applicant's independent claims not present in the cited reference is a character string form recognizing means for recognizing the form feature of a character string wherein when the form feature of the character string has been unrecognizable, said character string form recognizing means corrects the unrecognizable form feature of the character string based on the information about any one of the form features of character strings read from said character string form feature storage means. This limitation is not disclosed in either of the cited references.

As explicitly recited in the claims, the portable cellular phone is provided with a character string form feature recognition function. This is unlike the cited references. In Lynggaard, the text is analyzed by identifying segments in the sequence and delimiting the segments with the characters such as "@" and the like. Thus, Lynggaard merely discloses an apparatus similar to a spell-checker.

In contrast, Applicant's capture a character string and, if the captured character string is unrecognizable, uses character string form recognizing means to correct the character string.

Kagehiro was not added to cure the deficiency in Lynggaard discussed above but show additional limitations which, even if it were to show, do not cure the deficiencies in Lynggaard discussed above.

Applicant has responded to all of the rejections and objections recited in the Office Action. Reconsideration and a Notice of Allowance for all of the pending claims are therefore respectfully requested.

In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the outstanding rejection of the claims and to pass this application to issue.

If the Examiner believes an interview would be of assistance, the Examiner is welcome to contact the undersigned at the number listed below.

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Respectfully submitted,

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